

General Assembly

Proposed Bill No. 6351

January Session, 2021



Referred to Committee on PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Introduced by:

REP. LEMAR, 96th Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESS TO PUBLIC BEACHES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to prohibit any municipality or
- 2 other local unit of government from (1) enacting ordinances, regulations
- 3 or other rules that limit access to any public beach based on town
- 4 residency of any potential visitor to such public beach, including when
- 5 a municipal or local official determines that capacity concerns warrant
- 6 limiting such access, (2) establishing a fee or access structure that
- 7 disparately impacts any such potential visitors based on town
- 8 residency, and (3) charging more for the issuance of any parking or
- 9 access pass for any such public beach than the state charges for access to
- 10 its public parks.

Statement of Purpose:

To prohibit municipalities and other local units of government from limiting the access of certain individuals to public beaches.

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